13: Rivet--241
116, 614, 773

(no date) 1908

Jívaro

Information on the existence of totems in the Jíbaro country is rare. The story regarding the flood, which I related before, is evidently of a totemic nature, but a doubt exists as to the legitimacy of its attribution to our Indians. The Aguarunas do not eat the meat of the Hydrochoerus capybara, the Tapirus americanus or the venado (1). Knowing that the other tribes use these animals for food, one may certainly conclude that the Aguarunas are governed by a prohibition of totemic nature specialized by clans, and that a more attentive study would reveal similar facts among the other tribes.

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1. Enrique Brunning. De Chiclayo a Puerlo Melendez en el Maranon. (Boletin de la Sociedad geografica de Lima. Volume XIII, 1903, pp. 12-159; 249-295; 385-418; V. XV, 1904, pp. 1-57) pp. 388 and 403.

28: Tessman--343 [3] (No date) 1930 Jivaro
116, 614, 621

The Chiwaros are not subdivided into sibs proper, but many groups must be distinguished, groups that originated from war conditions and and that are named after their leaders, i. e., people of so and so. These groups have not yet had a principal influence upon the social structure of the tribe, though eventually they may have such an influence, especially if the group segregation becomes a permanent one.